

Brazil, Item 13

Mr. Chairperson,

This Committee has a long and distinguished history behind it and tall tasks and opportunities ahead. We are glad to note that COPUOS has been able to continue to address the most urgent and candent issues relating to the peaceful uses of outer space. We highlight in this regard issues such as the long-term sustainability of the use of outer space, space resources, lunar activities, dark and quiet skies, space and sustainable development and issues related to space traffic management.

While we need to keep abreast of technological developments, we also must undertake efforts to solve longstanding issues and challenges. This is why we support more focused discussions on outer space as the province of humankind, benefit sharing and the role of international cooperation, particularly concerning Articles I and XI of the OST.

We support the convening of UNISPACE IV in 2027 and commend the efforts of the co-coordinators Morocco and Italy, and of Director Aarti Holla-Maini, towards this end.

Mr. Chairperson,

With regard to the methods of work, Brazil welcomes the Secretariat initiative to adopt a paperless format for this COPUOS session. We consider that, given the present results, this could apply for future sessions.

It would be advisable, moreover, to keep improving the methodology for distributing agenda items throughout the meeting days, with a special focus on a smarter management of the speakers lists. Predictability is key for delegations to prepare for the meetings, which results in more fruitful and concrete outcomes. Brazil also believes simple logistical adjustments would

enhance practicality, reduce costs, and reinforce our commitment to sustainability.

Thank you, Mr Chairperson.